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GREETINGS FROM Y. P. CHURCH

The Young Peoples' Christian Church of Poston III wishes you all a very Happy New Year!

We gratefully recall the countless kindnesses and help contributed to our Church by its many friends, former members, and present members during the past year. The year of 1944 here in Poston has been one of rich spiritual blessings and fine Christian fellowship inspite of how the congregation has diminished through relocation and the armed forces.

May the year of 1945 find each one of us working and striving together for better and finer contributions to the building of the Kingdom of God wherever we may be.

May God bless you and supply your every need during the New Year of 1945.

Hisaye Watari--

GREETINGS FROM JR. CHURCH

Dear friends, kind friends, as we enter into the New Year, we extend to you peace, love, and contentment all through the New Year of 1945.

Your sincere efforts have been of great significance in our Junior Church. The interest that you have manifested toward us has truthfully been encouraging and an inspiration. It is of utmost importance that we seek Christ more diligently this New Year, and your prayers for us are constantly desired. We, the Junior Church of Poston III, shall never forget the love and help that you have bestowed upon us.

May the love and the sweet communion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ go with you, rest with you, and abide with you thru out the New Year.

George Jackson--

ISSEI CHURCH GREETINGS

THOU CROWNEST THE YEAR WITH THE GRACE OF GOD: AND THY PATHS DROP FATNESS. (Japanese Translation Psalms 65:11)

With the many experiences of 1944 left behind, we face at this time the New Year of 1945.

Last year we were all able to celebrate New Year's Day together, but month by month relocation has taken away many dear members of our congregation and scattered them throughout the United States. Many have spent Christmas Day in new environments--in battlefields, in training camps, at schools, at factories and offices; and we remember them as we here look forward to 1945.

We do not know what will come in this New Year as we are about to leave behind us forever this Relocation Center of Poston, but with faith in God--in His love and grace--we can pray for a Happy New Year for all!

-- Rev. T. Okimoto --

A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, who hast unfolded to us another New Year, we thank Thee that we may live it with abounding Grace which Thou hast promised for all times, especially in times of trouble.

We thank Thee because Thou hast called us out of darkness into Thy Light and given us Faith, Hope, and Love. We thank Thee also for Thy glorious companionship.

Forgive us, dear Father, for our many failures to thank Thee for Thy great goodness. O God, we need Thee to save us from the mad rush of this world today. May we take more time to be alone with Thee and hear Thy word..."Be still and know that I am God." We are so weak and Thou art so strong; may we open our hearts that Thy strength may flow through our bodies.

Our loving Father, Thou art everywhere, and we do pray that Thou wilt be with all people who are out on fields of battle. Make them

OUR THOUGHTS for 1945

As we come to the close of another year and approach the new, many thoughts race through my mind--the times we've spent together here in Christian fellowship, the many friends we've made, our Young Peoples' Services and all that has taken place during our stay in Boston.

Truly, through it all, the Lord has been so good to us, I praise His dear Name.

As we look forward into the New Year, we know that many new things will happen, and before long most of us will no longer be here but will be going our separate ways as many have already done. I know we will have many trials and difficulties, but I'm so thankful that we have a kind loving Saviour upon whom we can always lean for strength and help.

It is my desire and prayer that throughout the New Year, I can do more for Him.

Louise Hayakawa

I will give my life to the highest, to find the true meaning of the finest in every relationship of life.

Velma Kurihara

Realizing that uncertainties and perplexities are bound to arise in the New Year of 1945 as we plan and carry out our relocation, and with the knowledge that only from above can I receive the inner strength and courage to face unafraid the future, I make the prayer of J. Hudson Taylor, my prayer:

"Lord Jesus, make thyself to me
A living, bright Reality;
More present to faith vision keen
Than any outward object seen;
More dear, more intimately nigh
Than e'en the sweetest earthly tie."

Shinobu Suzuki

Another New Year has begun which will be another year to do more for our Lord Jesus Christ. It is my hope and desire this coming year to help build the Kingdom for Christ.

Haruye Miyamoto

How rapidly the old year has passed with its rich blessings, joys, and even sorrows, too. Living for Jesus a life that is true, striving to please Him in all that I do, and continuing my humble efforts at Sunday School are my desires for the New Year.

Mary Hirata

I thank my Lord for teaching and giving me faith and an everlasting hope.

Mary Takasaki

Unworthy as I am, my desire for this coming year is that I may be a shining light to those about me and that I may lead others to His Kingdom and carry my cross with a smile. I pray that my life may be lived for Him.

Yoshie Miyamoto

"God is in every tomorrow,
Therefore, I live for today,
Certain at finding at sunrise,
Guidance and strength for the way."

Betty Taguchi

My hope and prayer for the New Year is to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Tatomi Mano

The words of the Apostle Paul found in Philippians 3: 13-14: "Forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus," express my prayer and aim for the coming year.

Toki Hirashima

May I in daily living strive and continue to fellowship with all that makes for growth.

"Giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness: And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (II Peter 1:5-8)

Hisaye Watari

This is a New Year of hope for me, for God promises in Luke 11:9, "And I say unto you, 'Ask and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you!'"

Harry Minami

A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER (Continued)

brave in danger and faithful to every trust. May those who do not know Thee see Thy constant Light. We commit them to Thy care as Thou dost know our boys are out there to help bring peace.

Grant that Peace again may come and that we will see the beginning of a greater Faith and a better world order. In Jesus' Name we pray.

-- Kimi Shimizu --

BAPTISM HELD

On Wednesday night, Jan. 3, at the Midweek Service held in the Church Library, a Baptismal Service was conducted by Rev. Kenji Kikuchi. The candidates were Mas Furubayashi, William Hashiguchi, and Noboru Hamaguchi.

departures

Among those who left on Saturday, Jan. 6, to report for active duty at Fort Douglas, Utah, were Pvts. Mas Furubayashi, Leo Minami, George Takahashi, Takeo Azuma, Minoru Nakamura, and Sam Hirose.

Relocators scheduled to leave on Tuesday are:
Laura Iguchi to Lawrence, Kan.
Jeanne Kobayashi and Harvey Sadahiro to Chicago, Illinois.
Mary and Susan Oto, Port Hope, Michigan.
Mark Ota, Mac Watari, and Joseph Mano to Cleveland, Ohio
James Misumi, Denver, Colorado.

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Methodist Youth Fellowship; Adamsville
Jr. Dept., 1st Methodist Church, Jasper
Methodist Sunday School; Sheffield

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